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*[on the report of the Third Committee (A/68/456/Add.1)]***68/155. International Covenants on Human Rights***The General Assembly,**Recalling its resolution 66/148 of 19 December 2011,**Welcoming the entry into force of the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights¹ on 5 May 2013,**1. Welcomes the annual reports of the Human Rights Committee submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh² and sixty-eighth³ sessions;**2. Also welcomes the reports of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its forty-sixth and forty-seventh sessions⁴ and on its forty-eighth and forty-ninth sessions;⁵**3. Invites the Chairs of the Committees to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth and seventieth sessions under the item entitled "Promotion and protection of human rights", within existing resources;**4. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of the status of the International Covenants on Human Rights⁶ and the Optional Protocols thereto,⁷ including all reservations and declarations, through the United Nations websites.**70th plenary meeting
18 December 2013*¹ Resolution 63/117, annex.² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/67/40), vols. I and II.*³ *Ibid., Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/68/40), vols. I and II.*⁴ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2012, Supplement No. 2 (E/2012/22).*⁵ *Ibid., 2013, Supplement No. 2 (E/2013/22).*⁶ Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.⁷ See resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex, resolution 44/128, annex, and resolution 63/117, annex.